FISCAL NOTE

SB 3412 - HB 3495

March 3, 2004

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes the Commissioner of Environment and Conservation to purchase services for state park operations without approval of any other state agency. Currently, the Department of Environment and Conservation has the authority to purchase raw materials, merchandise for resale, supplies and equipment necessary for quality services for state parks.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Decrease State Expenditures - Exceeds \$25,000

Estimate assumes a decrease in state expenditures from contracting without approval of any other state agency for services within state parks.

Note: State Park Operations indicated a savings of \$25,209 for 2002, the year legislation amended TCA 11-2-112 for the extended local purchase authority for raw materials, merchandise for resale, supplies and equipment. This figure has increased each year, with an expected savings in FY04-05 of approximately \$50,000.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director